

The San Juan County Marine Resources Committee (MRC) is looking to fill two committee member positions. The MRC would like to recruit candidates with a specific background in any of the following areas:

- Have diverse backgrounds in areas such as:
  - Ports or marinas
  - Commercial fishing,
  - Marine science background
  - Shoreline development and or planning

It is also important that individuals are keen to take an active role in:

- Learning about marine conservation
- Participate in science-based research
- Contribute to policy recommendations

The MRC is a voluntary citizens advisory group to County government, established in 1996. The MRC is managed through the County's Department of Environmental Stewardship's Marine Resources Program and its purpose is to protect and restore the marine waters, habitats and species of the Salish Sea to achieve ecosystem health and sustainable resource use.

The core activities of the Committee members include:

- Recommend actions to the San Juan County Council and San Juan County Department of Environmental Stewardship,
- Get hands-on experience planning and implementing marine conservation projects, (e.g. Eelgrass habitat protection monitoring, [Marine Stewardship Area Plan](#), False Bay monitoring, and monitoring the MRC's SeaBin).
- Participating in education and outreach efforts to reduce impacts of [boats on whales](#) and other marine habitats, recreational crabber education, and impacts of plastic on the marine environment with the [Plastic Free Salish Sea](#) initiative)
- [Oil spill prevention](#) and [derelict vessel prevention](#) efforts

Members will be appointed to fill the two partial positions currently open and will have the opportunity to remain for an additional two four-year terms if they wish. The commitment includes:

- Attending a currently virtual monthly meeting on the first Thursday of every month from 8:30 am – 11:00 am
- Attending an annual retreat of one full day (normally takes the place of November or December meeting).
- Volunteering for a minimum of 10 hours a month including attending virtual meetings, developing and reviewing documents, and optional in-person fieldwork.

To apply, submit the attached application along with a cover letter explaining your interest in volunteering along with your resume to Frances Robertson francesr@sanjuanco.com. The deadline for applications is **December 31, 2022** or until filled.



# San Juan County Council

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 District 2, Cindy Wolf  
 District 3, Jamie Stephens

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for your interest in serving San Juan County. Citizen advisory committees provide a vital link between the services the County is required to provide and the citizens that receive services. Members to advisory committees are appointed by the County Council as a whole, and not by individual Council members. Your responses to questions on this application will be used to guide the Council in their selection. Please use additional sheets to respond to questions you feel need additional comment. The questions regarding potential conflict of interest will not disqualify anyone from service, however, it is necessary to identify possible conflicts. Please be aware that once submitted all information on this form becomes public information, with the exception of the residential address and telephone numbers. ***Please return the completed form to: San Juan County Council, 350 Court Street #1, Friday Harbor, WA 98250. For more information, contact Council Staff at (360) 378-2898 or ingridg@sanjuanco.com.***

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name	First	M.I.
Address		PO Box/Unit #
City	State	ZIP
Phone	Business Phone	
Mobile	E-mail Address	
Committee Applied for		
Are you a San Juan County resident?    YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		Council District

### AVAILABILITY TO ATTEND MEETINGS

Daytime	M <input type="checkbox"/> T <input type="checkbox"/> W <input type="checkbox"/> Th <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Sat <input type="checkbox"/> Sun <input type="checkbox"/>	Evening	M <input type="checkbox"/> T <input type="checkbox"/> W <input type="checkbox"/> Th <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Sat <input type="checkbox"/> Sun <input type="checkbox"/>
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### CURRENT OCCUPATION

Occupation	Phone (    )	
Address	City	State

### PREVIOUS OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND

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**EDUCATION AND/OR TRAINING**

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**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

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**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

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**OTHER EXPERIENCE**

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Have you previously served on a San Juan County advisory or decision making body? YES  NO  If yes, please explain.

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Why are you interested in serving on this committee?

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Not including this committee, what are your primary interests in County government and services?

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**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

It is crucial to have a balanced citizen advisory committee with all stakeholders and community viewpoints represented. To avoid any potential conflict of interest or questions about the appearance of fairness, please list each organization which you serve in a decision-making capacity, your position, and its mission.

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Do you or any of your family members work for or serve on the board of any organization which contracts with San Juan County? Do you anticipate any future involvement of this kind in the future? If yes, please describe the relationship.

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Are you related to any elected County official or staff member? If yes, please explain.

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Are you involved in any personal, professional or business pursuit that would affect your ability to make fair and impartial recommendations or decisions as a member of this citizen advisory committee?

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Is there any additional information that you would like the Council to consider in evaluating your application?

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**DISCLAIMER AND SIGNATURE**

By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature	Date
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**POLICY REGARDING APPOINTMENTS TO COUNTY ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

The County Council's policy regarding the process of appointment of members to county advisory committees/boards/commissions is as follows;

1. All vacancies and positions with expiring terms on county committees will be advertised in local media and on the county website. Such advertisements will be posted at least two weeks prior to Council appointments to fill any vacancies.
2. All candidates for committee appointments will be San Juan County voters. This requirement can be waived by the Council when appropriate.
3. Committees may make recommendations to the Council for new appointments and reappointments. However, the Council will consider all applicants for vacancies.
4. Committee members whose terms will expire may reapply for appointment. Committees may also make recommendations to the Council for reappointments. However, reappointments will not to be automatic or assumed, as the Council will consider all applicants for vacancies.
5. Applicants may be interviewed by the Council.
6. The final decision on selection appointments will be made by the County Council.
7. This policy statement shall be given to all committee applicants.

*This Policy was approved and signed on Tuesday, April 7, 2009. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file and can be made available upon request.*